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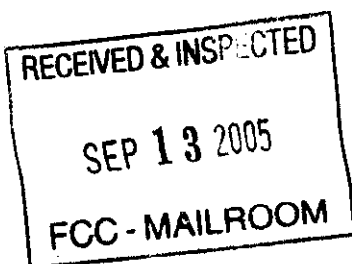(419) 586-0300
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September 7, 2005

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
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445 12th Street, SW, TW-B204
Washington, DC 20554

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Dear Ms. Dortch:

I am writing this letter in support of the Verizon Communications, Inc. acquisition of MCI, Inc. "Applications for Consent to Transfer Control WC Docket No. 05-75." It is with pleasure that I support this acquisition. In my words of support, I will speak from both a consumer and a professional point of view.

From a consumer's perspective, the merger between these two entities will provide me with greater access to the full range of services now provided by each individually. Their stronger, more visible presence in the community will meet all my needs, rather than needing to seek out separate companies for individual services.

As a professional consumer, I want to speak to two issues. First, the capability that will be forged with this merger will provide my organization with options heretofore untapped. The innovations that that can be exercised by merging two very successful companies will provide a backbone to our community that will enhance our potential in the marketplace.

Second, and very important to me, is the expansion of the "good citizenry" that Verizon has exhibited in my community. The Verizon Foundation has been the funding agent for my institution for several very positive innovations that might not otherwise have been able to be accomplished. Hopefully, with this expansion, they will be able to be a good citizen for more of the country.

Please look favorably upon this application. We certainly do look favorably upon Verizon Communications.

Sincerely,

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